

Webutuck Board of Education held the August 29, 2007 meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Webutuck High School Library.

The following Board members were present:

Dale Culver, President
Bernadette Coniglio
Andrew Jablonsky
William McGhee
John Perotti

Also Present:

Dr. Richard N. Johns, Superintendent
Tracy Trotter, Superintendent's Secretary

Absent:

Joseph Herald
Susan Lounsbury

CALL TO ORDER

President Culver called the special meeting of August 29, 2007 to order at 7:07 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

DISCUSSION

There was none.

PERSONNEL

1. Instructional Appointments

Ms. Coniglio made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Instructional appointments, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Louis Petty	General Science & Biology Teacher
Effective: September 1, 2007	Replaces Juan Montero
Tenure Area: General Science/Biology	
Certificate Pending	Estoppel Date: August 31, 2010

David Pearson	Earth Science Teacher
Effective: September 1, 2007	Replaces Kristen Gargano
Tenure Area: Earth Science	Estoppel Date: August 31, 2010
Certificate: #158446827	

Charity Brady	6th Grade English Language Arts Teacher
Effective: September 1, 2007	Leave Replacement for Liz Riehl

Certificate Pending

The five Board members present voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Rescind Instructional Appointment

Ms. Coniglio made and Mr. McGhee seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education rescinds the Board Resolution dated August 13, 2007 for a probationary contract for Audra Berryann and hereby replaces it with the following resolution to provide a replacement contract for Ms. Berryann, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Audra Berryann

Effective: September 1, 2007

Certificate #2107808

AIS Teacher

Replaces Tabitha Thomas

The five Board members present voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Appointment of School Lunch Manager

Ms. Coniglio made and Mr. McGhee seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the following School Lunch Manager appointment, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Robert Rosner

Effective: August 22, 2007

School Lunch Manager

Salary: \$42,000

A Board member asked if the contract was the same as the previous Lunch Manager. He stated he would like to get away from offering exactly the same contract to any new employee; that they should be individually drawn up and added to as work performance is evaluated. Discussion ensued. It was decided to table the motion until the contract can be reviewed by the Board.

Mr. Jablonsky made a motion to table the previous motion until the September 10, 2007 Board meeting and Mr. McGhee seconded the motion.

The five Board members present voted to approve the motion. The motion carried.

Dale Culver	Yes
Bernadette Coniglio	No
Andrew Jablonsky	Yes

William McGhee	Yes
John Perotti	Yes

3. Rescind School Business Manager 1 Appointment

A Board member questioned why the District could only offer a one year contract to Ms. Heslin. The Superintendent stated she was not certified. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Coniglio made and Mr. McGhee seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby rescinds the following Board resolution dated August 13, 2007 for School Business Manager 1 appointment, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Marianne Heslin
Effective: September 10, 2007
Salary: \$88,000

School Business Manager 1
Replaces Kevin Geoghan

The five Board members present voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Appointment of Business Administrator

The Superintendent discussed the difference in this contract compared to the previous Business Administrator's contract. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Coniglio made and Mr. Jablonsky seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint Linda Peters (replaces Kevin Geoghan) to a three (3) year probationary appointment as a Business Administrator (certificate pending) in the Business Administrator tenure area, commencing October 1, 2007 and ending September 30, 2010 year. Ms. Peters' annual salary will be \$98,000 for the 2007-2008 school year (which shall be reduced per diem for the period of time not employed by the District from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008). Her salary for 2008-2009 shall be up to \$105,000 (but not less than \$98,000) based on the evaluation of the Superintendent.

The five Board members present voted to approve the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Interim Principal Appointment

A Board member questioned if the salary was the going rate for interim principals in the area. The Superintendent stated figures that were higher than the District's Interim Principal's salary. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Coniglio made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following emergency conditional appointment, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Gerald Husted
Effective: August 22, 2007

Interim Middle School Principal
Salary: \$450 per diem as needed

The five Board members present voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS

A Board member requested several of the employee contracts to be put in the Board packet for Friday.

A Board member questioned the status of the A.D. position. The Board agreed to discuss the topic in executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Jablonsky made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session

at 7:31 pm for the purpose of discussing a particular personnel issue. The five Board members present voted. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Perotti made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to adjourn the executive session and reconvene the public session at 7:58 pm. The five Board members present voted. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Perotti made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting of August 29, 2007 at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese M. Trotter
District Clerk